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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

9 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) Criminal Case No. 07CR3406-DMS
)
11 Plaintiff,) Date: January 25, 2008
) Time: 11:00 a.m.
12 v.)
) GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE AND
13 PETER MARTIN (1),) OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT'S
) MOTIONS TO:
14 Defendant.)
) (1) COMPEL DISCOVERY AND PRESERVE;
15) EVIDENCE;
) (2) SUPPRESS STATEMENTS;
16) (3) DISMISS THE INDICTMENT; AND
) (4) REQUEST LEAVE TO FILE FURTHER
17) MOTIONS
18)
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19) TOGETHER WITH STATEMENT OF FACTS
) AND MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND
20) AUTHORITIES, AND GOVERNMENT'S
) MOTION FOR
21)
) (1) RECIPROCAL DISCOVERY
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24 COMES NOW, the plaintiff, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, by and through its counsel
 25 Karen P. Hewitt, United States Attorney, and Eugene S. Litvinoff, Assistant U.S. Attorney, and
 26 hereby files its Response and Opposition to the motions filed on behalf of Defendant PETER
 27 MARTIN and hereby files its Motion For Reciprocal Discovery. This Response and Opposition
 28 and Motion For Reciprocal Discovery is based upon the files and records of this case.

I**INTRODUCTION**

Defendant stands charged with one count of bringing in an illegal alien for financial gain and one count of bringing in an alien without presentation, both in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1324.

II**STATEMENT OF FACTS****A. Primary Inspection**

On December 9, 2007, at approximately 12:48 a.m., Defendants Peter Martin and Sandra Kole, applied for admission at the San Ysidro, California Port of Entry in a grey 1994 Mercury Topaz, bearing California license plate number 5ZQT435. Martin was the driver and Kole the passenger. The primary inspector, Officer Valenzuela, obtained a negative customs declaration from Martin. Defendant Kole then told the officer that she was visiting a friend in Mexico. Officer Valenzuela queried Kole's name, which resulted in a computer-generated referral. Officer Valenzuela escorted both defendants and their vehicle to the secondary area for further inspection.

B. Secondary Inspection

At secondary inspection, Officer Varela noticed a "rim-less" spare tire in the rear cargo area of the vehicle that did not match the other tires. He lifted the rear hatch and noticed what appeared to be new screws holding the plastic trim to the floor. Officer Varela then lifted the carpeting and observed plywood covering the spare tire compartment area.

All vehicle occupants were escorted to the Prosecution Unit's detention area.

C. Detention Area

In the detention area, the two defendants and one material witness were fingerprinted and photographed, then placed in separate detention cells. Kole informed CBP Officer Velazquez that she was 2 months pregnant and that she noticed spotted bleeding in her urine. Officer Valazquez contacted the Watch Commander, who requested a medical first responder. CBP Officer Bow responded; he determined that Kole's vital signs were within the normal range. Officer Bow recommended that trained paramedics be called to assess Kole's condition.

At about 2:26 a.m., San Diego Medical Services Enterprise was dispatched to the Port of Entry to assess Kole's condition. They asked Kole about her pregnancy history, pregnancies, and the spotted bleeding. The paramedics also determined that Kole's vital signs were within the normal range. Kole asked the paramedics if she would be released once she was at the hospital. She was informed that she would be escorted to the hospital and remain in the custody of two Customs and Border Protection officers. She was also told that once a doctor medically cleared her, she would return to the Port of Entry to be processed. At 2:55 a.m., Kole declined further medical attention, thus she was not transported to the hospital.

D. Defendant's Statement

(1) Defendant Peter Martin

At approximately 4:26 a.m., Martin was advised of his Miranda rights in the English language. Martin waived rights and agreed to provide a statement. The advisement, waiver, and subsequent statement were all videotaped.

Martin stated that a woman by the name of Jennifer LNU offered him \$1000 to drive a vehicle containing illegal aliens across the border. Jennifer took Martin to a house in Tijuana where he stayed for three days.

Martin also stated that co-defendant Kole drove the vehicle from Tijuana to the border. Kole knew where to take the vehicle once they crossed into the United States. She instructed Martin on how to drive the manual transmission vehicle. She also gave Martin a temporary registration for another vehicle to place in the windshield.

(2) Defendant Sandra Kole

At approximately 3:20 a.m., Kole was advised of her Miranda rights in the English language. Kole waived her rights and agreed to provide a statement. The advisement, waiver, and subsequent statement were all videotaped.

Kole admitted knowledge of the undocumented alien concealed in the vehicle. She stated that she and Martin were to deliver the vehicle to Chula Vista. She also stated that she showed Martin how to drive the vehicle, and that she drove the vehicle to the POE before Martin took over as the driver. She denied that she was going to be paid anything for this smuggling venture.

Kole also admitted to successfully smuggling aliens into the United States on four prior occasions. She did so for financial gain each time. She also admitted to being apprehended smuggling aliens on November 18, 2007 and November 21, 2007, but denied discussing compensation on these two occasions.

E. Material Witness's Statement

The material witness, Sandra Gutierrez-Garcia, stated that her aunt, who resides in Los Angeles, made arrangements with an unknown male to pay \$3000 to have her smuggled into the United States. Gutierrez-Garcia admitted that she does not possess documents that would allow her to legally enter the United States.

Gutierrez-Garcia also stated that after arriving in Tijuana, she was assisted by a smuggler named "Nene". Nene placed her into the compartment and closed the floor panel. She stated that she was in the compartment for approximately 30 minutes before being apprehended.

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UNITED STATES' MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

A. THE GOVERNMENT WILL CONTINUE TO COMPLY WITH ALL ITS DISCOVERY OBLIGATIONS

The Government intends to fully comply with its discovery obligations under Brady v. Maryland, 373 U.S. 83 (1963), the Jencks Act (18 U.S.C. § 3500), and Rule 16 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure. The Government has already provided a large amount of documentary discovery, as well as a DVD recording available to the defense. The Government anticipates that most discovery issues can be resolved amicably and informally, and has addressed Defendant's specific requests below.

(1) The Defendant's Statements

The Government recognizes its obligation under Rules 16(a)(1)(A) and 16(a)(1)(B) to provide to Defendant the substance of Defendant's oral statements and Defendant's written statements. The Government has produced all of Defendant's written and videotaped statements that are known to the undersigned Assistant U.S. Attorney at this date. If the Government

1 discovers additional oral or written statements that require disclosure under Rule 16(a)(1)(A) or
2 Rule 16(a)(1)(B), such statements will be provided to Defendant.

3 The Government has no objection to the preservation of the handwritten notes taken by any
4 of the Government's agents and officers. See United States v. Harris, 543 F.2d 1247, 1253 (9th
5 Cir. 1976) (agents must preserve their original notes of interviews of an accused or prospective
6 government witnesses). However, the Government objects to providing Defendant with a copy
7 of any rough notes at this time. Rule 16(a)(1)(A) does not require disclosure of the rough notes
8 where the content of those notes have been accurately reflected in a type-written report. See
9 United States v. Brown, 303 F.3d 582, 590 (5th Cir. 2002); United States v. Coe, 220 F.3d 573,
10 583 (7th Cir. 2000) (Rule 16(a)(1)(A) does not require disclosure of an agent's notes even where
11 there are "minor discrepancies" between the notes and a report). The Government is not required
12 to produce rough notes pursuant to the Jencks Act, because the notes do not constitute "statements"
13 (as defined 18 U.S.C. § 3500(e)) unless the notes (1) comprise both a substantially verbatim
14 narrative of a witness' assertion, and (2) have been approved or adopted by the witness. United
15 States v. Spencer, 618 F.2d 605, 606-07 (9th Cir. 1980). The rough notes in this case do not
16 constitute "statements" in accordance with the Jencks Act. See United States v. Ramirez, 954 F.2d
17 1035, 1038-39 (5th Cir. 1992) (rough notes were not statements under the Jencks Act where notes
18 were scattered and all the information contained in the notes was available in other forms). The
19 notes are not Brady material because the notes do not present any material exculpatory
20 information, or any evidence favorable to Defendant that is material to guilt or punishment.
21 Brown, 303 F.3d at 595-96 (rough notes were not Brady material because the notes were neither
22 favorable to the defense nor material to defendant's guilt or punishment); United States v. Ramos,
23 27 F.3d 65, 71 (3d Cir. 1994) (mere speculation that agents' rough notes contained Brady evidence
24 was insufficient). If, during a future evidentiary hearing, certain rough notes become discoverable
25 under Rule 16, the Jencks Act, or Brady, the notes in question will be provided to Defendant.

26 **(2) Brady Material**

27 The United States is well aware of and will continue to perform its duty under Brady v.
28 Maryland, 373 U.S. 83 (1963), and United States v. Agurs, 427 U.S. 97 (1976), to disclose

exculpatory evidence within its possession that is material to the issue of guilt or punishment. Defendant, however, is not entitled to all evidence known or believed to exist which is, or may be, favorable to the accused, or which pertains to the credibility of the United States' case. As stated in United States v. Gardner, 611 F.2d 770 (9th Cir. 1980), it must be noted that "the prosecution does not have a constitutional duty to disclose every bit of information that might affect the jury's decision; it need only disclose information favorable to the defense that meets the appropriate standard of materiality." Id. at 774-775 (citation omitted).

The United States will turn over evidence within its possession which could be used to properly impeach a witness who has been called to testify.

Although the United States will provide conviction records, if any, which could be used to impeach a witness, the United States is under no obligation to turn over the criminal records of all witnesses. United States v. Taylor, 542 F.2d 1023, 1026 (8th Cir. 1976). When disclosing such information, disclosure need only extend to witnesses the United States intends to call in its case-in-chief. United States v. Gering, 716 F.2d 615, 621 (9th Cir. 1983); United States v. Angelini, 607 F.2d 1305, 1309 (9th Cir. 1979).

The United States opposes Defendant's request for TECS border crossing reports. While disclosure would be required if the Government intended to use TECS information as Rule 404(b) evidence, see United States v. Vega, 188 F.3d 1150 (9th Cir. 1999), there is no valid basis for requiring disclosure where the information will not be used as Rule 404(b) evidence. As stated above, the United States will comply with its Rule 404(b) notice and disclosure obligations.

Additionally, the United States opposes, without a further defense showing, Defendant's request for prosecution reports for Ms. Kole. This request is overbroad.

Finally, the United States will continue to comply with its obligations pursuant to United States v. Henthorn, 931 F.2d 29 (9th Cir. 1991).

(3) Sentencing Information

Defendant claims that the United States must disclose any information affecting Defendant's sentencing guidelines because such information is discoverable under Brady v.

1 Maryland, 373 U.S. 83 (1963). The United States respectfully contends that it has no such
2 disclosure obligation under Brady.

3 The United States is not obligated under Brady to furnish a defendant with information
4 which he already knows. United States v. Taylor, 802 F.2d 1108, 1118 n.5 (9th Cir. 1986). Brady
5 is a rule of disclosure, and therefore, there can be no violation of Brady if the evidence is already
6 known to the defendant. In such case, the United States has not suppressed the evidence and
7 consequently has no Brady obligation. See United States v. Gaggi, 811 F.2d 47, 59 (2d Cir. 1987).

8 But even assuming Defendant does not already possess the information about factors which
9 might affect his guideline range, the United States would not be required to provide information
10 bearing on Defendant's mitigation of punishment until after Defendant's conviction or plea of
11 guilty and prior to his sentencing date. See United States v. Juvenile Male, 864 F.2d 641, 647 (9th
12 Cir. 1988) ("No [Brady] violation occurs if the evidence is disclosed to the defendant at a time
13 when the disclosure remains in value."). Accordingly, Defendant's demand for this information
14 is premature.

15 **(4) Defendant's Prior Record**

16 The United States has already provided Defendant with a copy of his known criminal
17 record in accordance with Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 16(a)(1)(B).

18 **(5) Proposed 404(b) Evidence**

19 Should the United States seek to introduce any similar act evidence pursuant to Federal
20 Rule of Evidence 404(b), the United States will provide Defendant with notice of its proposed use
21 of such evidence and information about such bad act at the time the United States' trial
22 memorandum is filed.

23 **(6) Evidence Seized**

24 The United States has complied and will continue to comply with Rule 16(a)(1)(C) in
25 allowing Defendant an opportunity, upon reasonable notice, to examine, copy and inspect physical
26 evidence which is within the possession, custody or control of the United States, and which is
27 material to the preparation of Defendant's defense or are intended for use by the United States as
28 evidence in chief at trial, or were obtained from or belong to Defendant, including photographs.

1 The United States, however, need not produce rebuttal evidence in advance of trial. United
2 States v. Givens, 767 F.2d 574, 584 (9th Cir. 1984), cert. denied, 474 U.S. 953 (1985).

3 **(7) Preservation of Evidence**

4 The United States will preserve all evidence to which Defendant is entitled pursuant to the
5 relevant discovery rules. However, the United States objects to Defendant's blanket request to
6 preserve all physical evidence.

7 The United States has complied and will continue to comply with Rule 16(a)(1)(C) in
8 allowing Defendant an opportunity, upon reasonable notice, to examine, copy and inspect physical
9 evidence which is within his possession, custody or control of the United States, and which is
10 material to the preparation of Defendant's defense or are intended for use by the United States as
11 evidence in chief at trial, or were obtained from or belong to Defendant, including photographs.
12 The United States has made the evidence available to Defendant and Defendant's investigators and
13 will comply with any request for inspection.

14 Again, the United States will continue to comply with its obligations pursuant to
15 United States v. Henthorn, 931 F.2d 29 (9th Cir. 1991).

16 **(8) Tangible Objects**

17 The Government has complied and will continue to comply with Rule 16(a)(1)(E) in
18 allowing Defendant an opportunity, upon reasonable notice, to examine, inspect, and copy all
19 tangible objects seized that is within its possession, custody, or control, and that is either material
20 to the preparation of Defendant's defense, or is intended for use by the Government as evidence
21 during its case-in-chief at trial, or was obtained from or belongs to Defendant. The Government
22 need not, however, produce rebuttal evidence in advance of trial. United States v. Givens, 767
23 F.2d 574, 584 (9th Cir. 1984).

24 **(9) Expert Witnesses**

25 The Government will comply with Rule 16(a)(1)(G) and provide Defendant with a written
26 summary of any expert testimony that the Government intends to use under Rules 702, 703, or 705
27 of the Federal Rules of Evidence during its case-in-chief at trial. This summary shall include the
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expert witnesses' qualifications, the expert witnesses opinions, the bases, and reasons for those opinions.

(10) Evidence of Bias or Motive to Lie

The United States is unaware of any evidence indicating that a prospective witness is biased or prejudiced against Defendant. The United States is also unaware of any evidence that prospective witnesses have a motive to falsify or distort testimony.

(11) Impeachment Evidence

The United States will turn over evidence within its possession which could be used to properly impeach a witness who has been called to testify.

(12) Criminal Investigation of Government Witness

Defendants are not entitled to any evidence that a prospective witness is under criminal investigation by federal, state, or local authorities. "[T]he criminal records of such [Government] witnesses are not discoverable." United States v. Taylor, 542 F.2d 1023, 1026 (8th Cir. 1976); United States v. Riley, 657 F.2d 1377, 1389 (8th Cir. 1981) (holding that since criminal records of prosecution witnesses are not discoverable under Rule 16, rap sheets are not either); cf. United States v. Rinn, 586 F.2d 113, 118-19 (9th Cir. 1978) (noting in dicta that "[i]t has been said that the Government has no discovery obligation under Fed. R. Crim. P. 16(a)(1)(C) to supply a defendant with the criminal records of the Government's intended witnesses.") (citing Taylor, 542 F.2d at 1026).

The Government will, however, provide the conviction record, if any, which could be used to impeach witnesses the Government intends to call in its case-in-chief. When disclosing such information, disclosure need only extend to witnesses the United States intends to call in its case-in-chief. United States v. Gering, 716 F.2d 615, 621 (9th Cir. 1983); United States v. Angelini, 607 F.2d 1305, 1309 (9th Cir. 1979).

(13) Evidence Affecting Perception, Recollection, Communication or Veracity

The United States is unaware of any evidence indicating that a prospective witness has a problem with perception, recollection, communication, or truth-telling.

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1 **(14) Jencks Act Material**

2 The Jencks Act, 18 U.S.C. § 3500, requires that, after a Government witness has testified
 3 on direct examination, the Government must give the Defendant any “statement” (as defined by
 4 the Jencks Act) in the Government’s possession that was made by the witness relating to the
 5 subject matter to which the witness testified. 18 U.S.C. § 3500(b). A “statement” under the Jencks
 6 Act is (1) a written statement made by the witness and signed or otherwise adopted or approved
 7 by him, (2) a substantially verbatim, contemporaneously recorded transcription of the witness’s
 8 oral statement, or (3) a statement by the witness before a grand jury. 18 U.S.C. § 3500(e). If notes
 9 are read back to a witness to see whether or not the government agent correctly understood what
 10 the witness was saying, that act constitutes “adoption by the witness” for purposes of the Jencks
 11 Act. United States v. Boshell, 952 F.2d 1101, 1105 (9th Cir. 1991) (citing Goldberg v. United
 12 States, 425 U.S. 94, 98 (1976)). While the Government is only required to produce all Jencks Act
 13 material after the witness testifies, the Government plans to provide most (if not all) Jencks Act
 14 material well in advance of trial to avoid any needless delays.

15 **(15) Giglio Information**

16 As stated previously, the United States will comply with its obligations pursuant to Brady
 17 v. Maryland, 373 U.S. 83 (1963), the Jencks Act, United States v. Henthorn, 931 F.2d 29 (9th Cir.
 18 1991), and Giglio v. United States, 405 U.S. 150 (1972).

19 **(13) Witness Addresses**

20 The Government has already provided Defendant with the reports containing the names of
 21 the agents involved in the apprehension and interviews of Defendant. A defendant in a non-capital
 22 case, however, has no right to discover the identity of prospective Government witnesses prior to
 23 trial. See Weatherford v. Bursey, 429 U.S. 545, 559 (1977); United States v. Dishner, 974 F.2d
 24 1502, 1522 (9th Cir 1992) (citing United States v. Steel, 759 F.2d 706, 709 (9th Cir. 1985)); United
 25 States v. Hicks, 103 F.23d 837, 841 (9th Cir. 1996). Nevertheless, in its trial memorandum, the
 26 Government will provide Defendant with a list of all witnesses whom it intends to call in its case-
 27 in-chief, although delivery of such a witness list is not required. See United States v. Discher, 960
 28 F.2d 870 (9th Cir. 1992); United States v. Mills, 810 F.2d 907, 910 (9th Cir. 1987). The

Government is not aware of any “tips” provided by anonymous or identified persons that resulted in Defendant’s arrest.

The Government objects to any request that the Government provide a list of every witness to the crimes charged who will not be called as a Government witness. “There is no statutory basis for granting such broad requests,” and a request for the names and addresses of witnesses who will not be called at trial “far exceed[s] the parameters of Rule 16(a)(1)(C).” United States v. Hsin-Yung, 97 F. Supp.2d 24, 36 (D. D.C. 2000) (quoting United States v. Boffa, 513 F. Supp. 444, 502 (D. Del. 1980)). The Government is not required to produce all possible information and evidence regarding any speculative defense claimed by Defendant. Wood v. Bartholomew, 516 U.S. 1, 6-8 (1995) (per curiam) (holding that inadmissible materials that are not likely to lead to the discovery of admissible exculpatory evidence are not subject to disclosure under Brady).

(14) Witnesses Favorable to the Defendant

As stated earlier, the Government will continue to comply with its obligations under Brady and its progeny. At the present time, the Government is not aware of any witnesses who have made an arguably favorable statements concerning Defendant or who could not identify him or who were unsure of his identity or participation in the crime charged.

(15) Statements Relevant to the Defense

To reiterate, the United States will comply with all of its discovery obligations. However, “the prosecution does not have a constitutional duty to disclose every bit of information that might affect the jury’s decision; it need only disclose information favorable to the defense that meets the appropriate standard of materiality.” Gardner, 611 F.2d at 774-775 (citation omitted).

(16) Agreements Between the Government and Witnesses

The Government has not made or attempted to make any agreements with prospective Government witnesses for any type of compensation for their cooperation or testimony.

(17) Informants and Cooperating Witnesses

At this time, the Government is not aware of any confidential informants or cooperating witnesses involved in this case. The Government must generally disclose the identity of informants where (1) the informant is a material witness, or (2) the informant’s testimony is crucial

to the defense. Roviaro v. United States, 353 U.S. 53, 59 (1957). If there is a confidential informant involved in this case, the Court may, in some circumstances, be required to conduct an in-chambers inspection to determine whether disclosure of the informant's identity is required under Roviaro. See United States v. Ramirez-Rangel, 103 F.3d 1501, 1508 (9th Cir. 1997). If the Government determines that there is a confidential informant somehow involved in this case, the Government will either disclose the identity of the informant or submit the informant's identity to the Court for an in-chambers inspection.

(18) Bias by Informants or Cooperating Witnesses

As stated previously, the United States will comply with its obligations pursuant to Brady v. Maryland, 373 U.S. 83 (1963), the Jencks Act, United States v. Henthorn, 931 F.2d 29 (9th Cir. 1991), and Giglio v. United States, 405 U.S. 150 (1972).

(19) Residual Request

The Government has already complied with Defendant's request for prompt compliance with its discovery obligations. The Government will comply with all of its discovery obligations, but objects any broad and unspecified residual discovery requests.

B. DEFENDANT'S MOTION SUPPRESS STATEMENTS SHOULD BE DENIED

Defendant moves to suppress statements and requests that the Government prove that all statements were voluntarily made, and made after a knowing and intelligent Miranda waiver. Defendant contends that 18 U.S.C. § 3501 mandates an evidentiary hearing be held to determine whether Defendant's statements were voluntary.

1. Knowing, Intelligent, and Voluntary Miranda Waiver

A statement made in response to custodial interrogation is admissible under Miranda v. Arizona, 384 U.S. 437 (1966), and 18 U.S.C. § 3501 if a preponderance of the evidence indicates that the statement was made after an advisement of Miranda rights, and was not elicited by improper coercion. See Colorado v. Connelly, 479 U.S. 157, 167-70 (1986) (preponderance of evidence standard governs voluntariness and Miranda determinations; valid waiver of Miranda rights should not be found in the "absence of police overreaching").

1 A valid Miranda waiver depends on the totality of the circumstances, including the
 2 background, experience, and conduct of the defendant. North Carolina v. Butler, 441 U.S. 369,
 3 374-75 (1979). To be knowing and intelligent, “the waiver must have been made with a full
 4 awareness of both the nature of the right being abandoned and the consequences of the decision
 5 to abandon it.” Moran v. Burbine, 475 U.S. 412, 421 (1986). The Government bears the burden
 6 of establishing the existence of a valid Miranda waiver. North Carolina v. Butler, 441 U.S. at 373.
 7 In assessing the validity of a defendant’s Miranda waiver, this Courts should analyze the totality
 8 of the circumstances surrounding the interrogations. See Moran v. Burbine, 475 U.S. at 421.
 9 Factors commonly considered include: (1) the defendant’s age (see United States v. Doe, 155 F.3d
 10 1070, 1074-75 (9th Cir. 1998) (en banc) (valid waiver because the 17 year old defendant did not
 11 have trouble understanding questions, gave coherent answers, and did not ask officers to notify
 12 parents), (2) the defendant’s familiarity with the criminal justice system (see United States v.
 13 Williams, 291 F.3d 1180, 1190 (9th Cir. 2002) (waiver valid in part because defendant was
 14 familiar with the criminal justice system from past encounters), (3) the explicitness of the Miranda
 15 waiver (see United States v. Bernard S., 795 F.2d 749, 753 n.4 (9th Cir. 1986) (a written Miranda
 16 waiver is “strong evidence that the waiver is valid”); United States v. Amano, 229 F.3d 801, 805
 17 (9th Cir. 2000) (waiver valid where Miranda rights were read to defendant twice and defendant
 18 signed a written waiver), and (4) the time lapse between the reading of the Miranda warnings and
 19 the interrogation or confession. See Guam v. Dela Pena, 72 F.3d 767, 769-70 (9th Cir. 1995)
 20 (valid waiver despite 15-hour delay between Miranda warnings and interview). Furthermore, if
 21 there are multiple interrogations, as occurred in this case, repeat Miranda warnings are generally
 22 not required unless an “appreciable time” elapses between interrogations. See United States v.
 23 Nordling, 804 F.2d 1466, 1471 (9th Cir. 1986).

24 Here, the CBP Officers scrupulously honored the letter and spirit of Miranda in carefully
 25 advising Defendant of his Miranda rights prior to any post-arrest custodial interrogation. As
 26 evidenced by the video recording, Defendant was advised of his Miranda rights, both orally and
 27 in writing, before the interrogation. Defendant orally agreed to waive his Miranda rights and
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signed a Miranda waiver form. Based on the totality of the circumstances, Defendant's statements should not be suppressed because her Miranda waiver was knowing, intelligent, and voluntary.

2. Defendant's Statements Were Voluntary

The inquiry into the voluntariness of statements is the same as the inquiry into the voluntariness of a waiver of Miranda rights. See Derrick v. Peterson, 924 F.2d 813, 820 (9th Cir.1990). Courts look to the totality of the circumstances to determine whether the statements were "the product of free and deliberate choice rather than coercion or improper inducement." United States v. Doe, 155 F.3d 1070, 1074(9th Cir. 1998)(en banc).

A confession is involuntary if "coerced either by physical intimidation or psychological pressure." United States v. Crawford, 372 F.3d 1048, 1060 (9th Cir. 2004) (quoting United States v. Haswood, 350 F.3d 1024, 1027 (9th Cir. 2003)). In determining whether a defendant's confession was voluntary, "the question is 'whether the defendant's will was overborne at the time he confessed.'" Clark v. Murphy, 331 F.3d 1062, 1072 (9th Cir.), cert. denied, __ U.S. __, 124 S. Ct. 446 (2003) (quoting Haynes v. Washington, 373 U.S. 503, 513 (1963)). Psychological coercion invokes no per se rule. United States v. Miller, 984 F.2d 1028, 1030 (9th Cir. 1993). Therefore, the Court must "consider the totality of the circumstances involved and their effect upon the will of the defendant." Id. at 1031 (citing Schneckloth v. Bustamonte, 412 U.S. 218, 226-27 (1973)).

In determining the issue of voluntariness, this Court should consider the five factors under 18 U.S.C. § 3501(b). United States v. Andaverde, 64 F.3d 1305, 1311 (9th Cir. 1995). These five factors include: (1) the time elapsing between arrest and arraignment of the defendant making the confession, if it was made after arrest and before arraignment, (2) whether such defendant knew the nature of the offense with which he or she was charged or of which he was suspected at the time of making the confession, (3) whether or not such defendant was advised or knew that he or she was not required to make any statement and that any such statement could be used against him, (4) whether or not such defendant had been advised prior to questioning of his or her right to the assistance of counsel; and (5) whether or not such defendant was without the assistance of counsel

when questioned and when giving such confession. 18 U.S.C. § 3501(b). All five statutory factors under 18 U.S.C. § 3501(b) need not be met to find the statements were voluntarily made. See Andaverde, 64 F.3d at 1313.

As discussed above, Defendant was read his Miranda rights and was provided with a written advice of rights and Miranda waiver form prior to his post-arrest interview. After Defendant acknowledged his Miranda rights, a dialogue ensued between the agent and Defendant, whereupon Defendant decided to make a statement without having an attorney present. Defendant explicitly stated that he understood his Miranda rights and agreed to waive those rights. See United States v. Gamez, 301 F.3d 1138, 1144 (9th Cir. 2002). Defendant's statements were not the product of physical intimidation or psychological pressure of any kind by any Government agent. There is no evidence that Defendant's will was overborne at the time of her statements. Consequently, Defendant's motion to suppress her statements as involuntarily given should be denied.

C. DEFENDANT'S MOTION TO DISMISS DUE TO MISINSTRUCTION TO THE GRAND JURY SHOULD BE DENIED

Defendant has filed a lengthy attack upon Judge Larry A. Burns' instructions to the Grand Jury that was empaneled on January 11, 2008. Notably, every court in this District that has addressed the issues raised in this motion have denied it as meritless. Attached in Appendix A is a written order denying this very motion, issued by the Honorable John A. Houston on January 11, 2008. [See Appendix A; United States v. Deshotels, 07cr1430-JAH, Order of January 11, 2008.] For the reasons stated in Judge Houston's order, this Court should also deny Defendant's motion.

D. THE GOVERNMENT DOES NOT OPPOSE LEAVE TO FILE FURTHER MOTIONS, SO LONG AS THEY ARE BASED ON NEW EVIDENCE

The Government does not object to the granting of leave to file further motions as long as the order applies equally to both parties and any additional defense motions are based on newly discovered evidence or discovery provided by the Government subsequent to the instant motion.

IV

1 **GOVERNMENT’S MOTION FOR RECIPROCAL DISCOVERY**

2 **A. ALL EVIDENCE FOR DEFENDANT’S CASE-IN-CHIEF**

3 Since the Government will honor Defendant’s request for disclosure under Rule
4 16(a)(1)(E), the Government is entitled to reciprocal discovery under Rule 16(b)(1). Pursuant to
5 Rule 16(b)(1), the United States requests that Defendant permit the Government to inspect, copy
6 and photograph any and all books, papers, documents, photographs, tangible objects, or make
7 copies or portions thereof, which are within the possession, custody, or control of Defendant and
8 which Defendant intends to introduce as evidence in his case-in-chief at trial.

9 The Government further requests that it be permitted to inspect and copy or photograph any
10 results or reports of physical or mental examinations and of scientific tests or experiments made
11 in connection with this case, which are in the possession and control of Defendant, which he
12 intends to introduce as evidence-in-chief at the trial, or which were prepared by a witness whom
13 Defendant intends to call as a witness. The Government also requests that the Court make such
14 order as it deems necessary under Rules 16(d)(1) and (2) to ensure that the Government receives
15 the reciprocal discovery to which it is entitled.

16 **B. RECIPROCAL JENCKS – STATEMENTS BY DEFENSE WITNESSES**

17 Rule 26.2 provides for the reciprocal production of Jencks material. Rule 26.2 requires
18 production of the prior statements of all witnesses, except a statement made by Defendant. The
19 time frame established by Rule 26.2 requires the statements to be provided to the Government after
20 the witness has testified. However, to expedite trial proceedings, the Government hereby requests
21 that Defendant be ordered to provide all prior statements of defense witnesses by a reasonable date
22 before trial to be set by the Court. Such an order should include any form in which these
23 statements are memorialized, including but not limited to, tape recordings, handwritten or typed
24 notes and reports.

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CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, the United States requests that the Court deny Defendant's motions, except where unopposed, and grant the Government's motion for reciprocal discovery.

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Respectfully submitted,

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	Case No. 07CR3406-DMS
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Plaintiff,)	
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v.)	
)	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
PETER MARTIN (1),)	
)	
Defendant.)	
_____)	

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT:

I, EUGENE S. LITVINOFF, am a citizen of the United States and am at least eighteen years of age. My business address is 880 Front Street, Room 6293, San Diego, California 92101-8893.

I am not a party to the above-entitled action. I have caused service of **GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANTS' MOTIONS AND GOVERNMENT'S MOTION FOR RECIPROCAL DISCOVERY** on the following parties by electronically filing the foregoing with the Clerk of the District Court using its ECF System, which electronically notifies them.

1. **Amber Baylor, Esq.**
2. **Scott Pactor, Esq.**

I hereby certify that I have caused to be mailed the foregoing, by the United States Postal Service, to the following non-ECF participants on this case:

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the last known address, at which place there is delivery service of mail from the United States Postal Service.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on January 21, 2008

/s/ Eugene S. Litvinoff

EUGENE S. LITVINOFF